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"TELL MY FRIENDS TO BE BRAVE AND FEARLESS, AND LOYAL TO THE GREAT COMMON PEOPLE."

#### STATE.

James F. Bratton, aged fifty, was killed by lightning on the farm of Geo. W. Stiles near Sardis.

John Lillord, of Cloverport, filed a petition in bankruptcy at Owensboro. Assets, \$1,028.30; liabillities \$7,750.38.

The Christian county grand jury adjourned after returning 124 in dictments, mostly for gaming and minor offenses.

The Knights of Pythias are holding their district meeting at Shelbyville. Many prominent Pythians are in attendance.

The business men of Bowling Green have forwarded a petition to Washington requesting increased facilties for free delivery of mail.

Gov. Beckham will commission Raymond L. Dollings, of Covington, as a member of his official staff. Mr. Dollings is a newspaper man.

Ducien Boone, who was sent to the penitentiary for two years for ing manners, a pleasant smile and killing his half brother, Shad Taylor, has been pardoned by Gov. Bekham.

Dr. White Farris, a well known doctor died at Hickman iron small pox. He had been treating patients at Hickman afflicted with the disease

resent the Edison Phonograph the money. Woodyard & Hilton of opinion. Company, was arrested at Lexing- also run a general store at which ton for obtaining money and goods you can get most anything you

The Masonic Temple of London will be dedicated on Saturday, June 23. The Grand Master of the State will be present and conduct the ceremonies.

have sent in to headquarters at Frankfort \$115 for the Goebel monument fund, and will increase it to at least \$150.

Judge J. R. Sampson, of Middlesboro, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Appellate Judge in the Seventh Appellate district.

Capt. K. J. Hampton received his credentials as Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Republican National Convention. Capt. Hampton expects to leave Monday for Philiadelphia.

The Fiscal Court of Marion county directed the County Board of Health to fight smallpox, and appropriated \$500 to meet immediate expenses. Four new cases developed, making sixteen in all.

Gov. Beckham has appointed C. W. Bean and Mrs. R. P. Stoil, o Lexington; Drs. L. P. Yandell, of Louisville, and Campbell Cantrill, of Georgetown, as trustees of the House of Reform.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to arrest John L. Powers, under indictment as an accessory to the murder of Gov. Goebel. A posse quietly formed and left Barbourville for the home of Powers' brothe-in-law on Poplar creek, but a runner had been sent out ahead and Powers had fled when the posse arrived.

#### BRODHEAD.

A Thriving Town.

If there be a place on this terrestial globe where a man can theroughly satisfy his appetite, it is at the Frith Hotel in Brodhead which is run by that genial and accomidating host, Fullen Francisco. Just south by the beautiful hill overlooking the village can be found the other of the two good hotels of that thrifty town, the Albright House, of which J. H. Albright is the owner and proprietor. Brodhead is full of business and her merchants have a splendid trade. There is the firm of Frith & Dunn, composed of J. G. Frith of this ounty, and that ideal salesman. Harve Dunn who came here several years ago from Danville with 'Teed" Hamn and "Deacon" Dunn waiting on their customers we can readily see how they have such an enormous trade. Martin Protheroe Co. is managed by W. H. Sowder and Miss Sallie Purcell and with these people you always find pleas goods cheap. At J. Thomas Cherry's. You find an imme nse stock of goods infact every thing from a hair pin to a wagon of a cross-cut saw. Mr. Cherry, John Robbins and Miss Susie Hilton are always ready to wait on you and that elegant lady, Mrs. Cherry, is F. N. Hunting, claiming to rep- ready to charge it if you havent want. Heiman Frith, son of Mr. T. S. Ftith runs a store at life father's old stand itid is ready at any time to accommodate a customer. Colyer & Owens compose a strong business firm, although Mr. Collyer has been sick for sometime. They The women of Taylor county not only do a general merchandizing business but have an undertakers establishment in connection.

She is blessed with an able and distinguished lot of Physicians and preachers. Among the Physicians are Drs. Benton, Clark, Burdett, and Gravely and the able and eloquent divines are Rev. A. J. Pike and Rev. Hendrickson. Brodhead has two drugstores, one run by M1 Joe F. Watson and the other by Dr. Clark. Joe Farmer is the accommodating L. & N. agent dnring the day and W, H. Pettus holds the place at night, while David Hurt keeps the track in splendid repair. To prove that the town has public spirited citizens the Rockcastle Fair Association gives an annual fair for the benefit of our people. J. Thomas Cherry is President of the Association and hustling J. W. Tate is Secretary. The Fair is growing stronger all the time and more popular and will bé more successful this year than ever before, Every one should go. The town has good streets well graveled; three churches and a splendid school. The out-look is very bright for the coming of the Louisville Southern, running from from Burgin to Jelico, and with another railroad, Baodhead will be one of the very best towns in South Eastern Kentucky; as she has two great advantages to begin on beautiful building sites and an abund-

ance of water.

### SHORT HISTORY

Of The Boxers.

A Secret Organization Formed in China About One Year Ago.

It will probally be of interest to some of the readers of the Signal to know something of the "Boxers" in China who are now causing so much trouble, and doing so much damage both to life and property. So we publish a piece, taken from the New York Commercial Advertiser, giving what we consider, a few important facts connected with these "rioters" when they were first organized and what seemed to be their aim at that

Accounts differ about the "Boxers," the mysterious Chinese society that has been making trouble for foreigners and native Christians in China, and within the past week or so has been threatening the safety of the foreign Ministers and diplomats in Pekin itself. Authorities differ as to the society's purpose, whether it is religious or political, but all agree that pillage and the hope of plunder have contributed to its growth. As to whether the Government of the Dowager Empress, notoriously anti-for-eign, favors or fosters, openly or secretly, the society of 'Boxers'] there is also a difference

There are some things known about the "Boxers," however. Much of the information comes from missionaries to China. There are some men in New York who are especially well informed on this subject, having been in China themselves, and being in correspondence with missionaries and other persons there. One of these men is Clarence Cary, of the law firm of Cary & Whitridge.

"The 'Boxers,' " Mr. Cary said, whose Chinese name is I Ho Tuan, may be literary translated. I am informed, by 'Righteousness, Peace, the Fist,' were first organized in Shantung province, about a year ago, with the consent of the Governor as a sort of protection against thieves and 10bbers, the Boxers' being allowed to carry swords and to have them in their possession. Many appear, though to have turned robbers themselves, and from time to time have added to their gangs by drawing the lawless and such wondering and turbulent elements as could be found. Their first demonstration was in the province of Shantung, where they murdered a missionary. Later outbreaks seem to have been the adjoining province of Chili, as being nearer the railroad from Tien-Tsin and Pac-Ting-Fu to Pekin. At Pao-Ting-Fu, as recent dis patches show, they seem to have and to have cut off a party of Belgian engineers, who, however, have since been rescued and taken to built for the Emperor, but never used by him."

Mr. Cary compared the "Boxers' outbreaks with the present strike at St. Louis in extent and importance. He did not believe that their movement would become genproportions that it could not easily be surpressed. He had made inquiries of many persons, missionanies and others who had returned from China, but had never beeu able to satisfy himself as to what was the real motive of the society.

William Barclay Parsons, chief engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission, who while building a railroad traversed the whole of southern China, said that he had received a letter from a correspondent of his in Tien-Tsin. mentioning the "Boxers," The letter is now eight weeks old. His correspondent wrote, however, that the reports about the "Boxers" had been greatly exaggerated, and that in Tien-Tsin the reports about them caused little or no alarm.

The Chinese troops, Mr. Parsons BRODHEAD, said, are practically worthless as a means of controlling mobs. The Chinese soldiers who accompanied him on his journey through southerh China were armed in the most obsolete manner. Some of them were armed with flint locks, and some even with match locks, the earliest kittd of rifle. Many of the Chinese troops, he said were armed with bows and arrows, two-handled swords and a weapon somewhat like a pitchfork. There was very little discipline, and the officers had practically no controll over their men. In the present instance the troops would undoubtedly sympathize to a large extent with the

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